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Dear [Republican Colleague]:

How long would you like to remain in the minority?

How long will we have to wage a rear guard action to protect our voters, families, and employers from the potential devastation of job-killing taxes?

How long will we have to fight to protect and preserve values that are vital to our constituents?

As your next NRCC Chairman, I am committed to returning our conference to the majority as soon as possible.

It is my only ambition.

Make no mistake, taking on Pelosi, and a re-energized Democrat Caucus will not be easy. The next Chairman will have to have a history of fighting and winning difficult elections, in difficult districts, even while being outspent in many cases.

It is in precisely this environment that I excel. Despite a very challenging environment in Pennsylvania this year, I defeated my opponent by landslide numbers even as our Senate and Gubernatorial candidates were losing my district by roughly twenty percent.

During the last two years, as Chairman of Open Seats and Challengers, I raised over \$2.8 million for our candidates and Party, and personally traveled across the country to campaign in seventeen districts. I did this at my own expense, because I was committed to making our opponents spend every last dime in their campaign coffers.

I hope I have earned your support through years of hard work at the NRCC. I Co-Chaired the Incumbent Retention Committee during happier times in the last election, served on the Executive Committee for a number of years now, and Chaired the Audit Committee in 2000 and 2002.

I look forward to speaking with you personally in the next few days, but I wanted you to know now that I deeply appreciate your consideration of my candidacy and that I would be honored by your support. Working together, we can restore our majority and keep America on a path to freedom and prosperity.

Best Wishes,

Phil English